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REMARKS

The Applicants thank the Examiner for her careful and thoughtful examination of the present application. By way of summary, Claims 3-5, 7, 9, 13, 15, 17-19, and 24-26 were pending in this application. In the present amendment, the Applicants have amended Claims 3, 7, 9, 13, 15, 17 and 24-26. Accordingly, Claims 3-5, 7, 9, 13, 15, 17-19, and 24-26 remain pending for consideration.

The Applicants would like to thank Examiner Berhanu for the interview extended to the Applicants' counsel of record, Jarom Kesler, on June 21, 2006. During the interview, the Applicants clarified patentably distinguishing features of the invention and an agreement was reached relating to claim language. Accordingly, the Applicants have amended Claims 3, 7, 9, 13, 15, 17 and 24-26 along the lines discussed in the interview. Therefore, the Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the pending amended claims.

Request For Telephone Interview

In view of the forgoing, the present application is believed to be in condition for allowance, and such allowance is respectfully requested. If further issues remain to be resolved, the Applicants' undersigned attorney of record hereby formally requests a telephone interview with the Examiner. The Applicants' attorney can be reached at (949) 721-2923 or at the number listed below.

Please charge any additional fees, including any fees for additional extension of time, or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 11-1410.

Respectfully submitted,

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